

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5052
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UNMARKED GRAVES IN J K
Singh Shri Uday

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large number of unmarked graves have been found in border villages near Uri as reported in the 'Hindustan Times' dated March 29, 2008;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Union Government proposes to investigate the matter;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) to (e): The Government does not consider it necessary or appropriate to comment on the newspaper report. However, as per information made available by the State Government, there are some cases where terrorists, who died close to the borders in the Uri area, in exchange of fire with the security forces, and could not be identified, have been buried as un-identified terrorist with the help and assistance of the local people of the area. The State Government has also informed that all cases of burial are well recorded at the respective Police Stations, and unless there is any specific complaint with regard to any particular person, no probe/investigation is required or contemplated.